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National Ethics Council to be farewelled at a public meeting by Federal Minister Schavan

The German National Ethics Council (NER) will hold its last public meeting in Berlin next Tuesday, 11 September 2007, when it will be officially farewelled by the Federal Minister of Education and Research, Dr. Annette Schavan.

Kristiane Weber-Hassemer, the NER's Chair, will begin the proceedings by summing up the work done by the Council over the more than six years of its existence. In the ensuing discussion with the Federal Minister, the members of the Council will reflect on the experience of their work together during that period.

The meeting will be held in the Einstein Room of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences at 5 p.m. To attend, please apply by email to presse@ethikrat.org.

The German National Ethics Council

The German National Ethics Council's task is to provide a forum for interdisciplinary discourse between the natural sciences, medicine, theology and philosophy, and the social and legal sciences.

It expresses views on ethical issues relating to new developments in the field of the life sciences and on their consequences for the individual and society.

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